

REMARKS

This Response to Office Action is submitted in reply to the Office action of October 14, 2005. Claims 1-2 and 4-25 are pending. Claims 3 and 26 have been cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer. A petition and fee for a one month extension is included with this Response. Please charge Deposit Account No. 02-1818 for any insufficiency or credit for any overpayment.

Claims 1-2 and 3-25 stand rejected in the Office action, however Claims 6, and 20-22 were found allowable should they be written in independent form. Claims 6 and 20 have been rewritten in independent form to include all of the limitations of their independent base claim, Claim 1. Claims 21 and 22 which depend from Claim 20 should also now be allowable.

Claims 1 and 24 have been amended to clarify that the dye is an aversive agent and is added in a sufficient amount to impart an indication of abuse to an abuser. Support for the amendments can be found in the specification at Page 4, lines 1 and 2 which describes aversive agents as including dyes; Page 4, lines 33-34 which describes that dyes impart an indication of abuse to an abuser and Page 5, lines 35-38 which describes that a sufficient amount of dye is used to stain the point of contact. These references are exemplary and further support may be found throughout the specification.

Applicant is appreciative of the courtesy provided by the Examiner in the interview and has made an earnest endeavor to place this application in condition for allowance based on that interview. If the Examiner has any questions regarding this Response, or becomes aware of any matters that can be resolved by telephone, Applicant requests the Examiner to contact the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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